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Sir:

Applicants enclose their response to the Office action mailed **16 June 2006** to the above captioned application. A shortened statutory period for reply was set to expire 3 months from the mailing date of this application with any extensions of time as provided for under 37 CFR 1.136(a) up to 6 months.

Applicants submit their request for a 2-month extension of time along with the necessary payment for fees along with their reply to the office action. The Patent Trademark Office may charge any fees with this current response to applicant's deposit account 13-2546.